

What to Know Before You Go

Instructions for Visitors to the Tri-State-Calico Wild Horse and Burro Gather December–January 2011

When to meet: Call our *Wild Horse Gather Info Line* at **(775) 623-1728** for an update on the next day's gather activities, meeting times and location, or to leave a message if you plan to visit the gather. *Note: Gather operations are dependent on the weather and could change with little or no notice.*

Where to meet: Meet BLM personnel at Black Rock Station in Gerlach, Nevada, located at 200 Transfer Road, in Gerlach, Nevada (see map). There will be a short briefing for the day and introductions. We will then caravan out to the gather site of the day and stay until gather operations are completed. We may not know the exact location of these sites until the day before, so please, be flexible.

Transportation: All visitors must have their own transportation – we cannot take people in government vehicles except in an emergency. The temporary holding corrals/ sites will move around to several locations and the roads can get very rough in and around the Tri-State-Calico Complex area. Vehicles **MUST HAVE** 4-wheel drive with high clearance. Visitors must have spare tires (we suggest multiple spare tires!). Gas and full services are available in Gerlach, NV. *Cell phones are also a good idea if you get stranded, though coverage cannot be guaranteed. We will travel together to and from the gather. Head lights must be on and if any vehicle has mechanical problems and/or flat tires, we all stop.*

Driving Directions to Gerlach, Nevada: From Reno, NV, follow I 80 West and drive approximately 30 miles to Fernley, NV. Follow signs for Wadsworth/Pyramid Lake (exit 43) and merge onto NV-427 W. Turn right onto NV-447 N/Washeim St. and continue to follow NV-447 N approximately 78 miles to Gerlach, NV. Merge right from NV-447 N to Black Rock Station (see map). Black Rock Station is located on the left side of the road.

Weather conditions: This is Nevada in December and January, so plan for cold temperatures, and possible snowy, muddy, wet, windy conditions at the gather site.

What to bring:

- Closed-toed sturdy shoes
- Bland-colored clothing (*no wild colors, please*)
- Gloves/hats
- Sunscreen
- Food and water
- Binoculars
- Camera with zoom lens